

FISCAL NOTE

HB 2999 - SB 3682

March 2, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits an abortion being performed unless the physician has informed the woman of the probable gestational age of the embryo or fetus at the time of the abortion and an ultrasound is performed. Requires the Department of Health to produce information to be provided to any woman who is seeking an abortion.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - \$11,100/One-Time
\$249,500/Recurring**

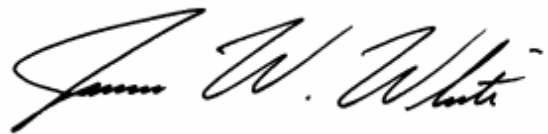
Assumptions:

- According to the Department of Health, there are approximately 14,000 abortions performed in Tennessee each year by approximately 4,000 physicians.
- The Department of Health will need an administrative services assistant to collect information, work with providers to keep information updated and answer any questions by women and providers as to the information provided.
- Such is estimated to increase one-time expenditures by \$5,100 for a computer and printer (\$2,400) and office set-up (\$2,700) and recurring expenditures by \$64,299 for salary (\$37,290), benefits (\$12,809), administrative allocation (\$7,900), communications and networking (\$1,600), office lease (\$4,100) and supplies (\$600).
- The Department estimates the printing (\$85,400), binders (\$24,750), and shipping (\$75,000) of the required information will increase expenditures by \$185,200.
- Any cost associated with in-service training of survey staff to determine compliance during ambulatory surgical treatment centers can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.
- Fee revenue is not sufficient to cover the operation of the Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities. The Board currently operates at a deficit that is paid through a general fund appropriation at the end of the fiscal year.

- The increase in fees for FY07-08 will not be sufficient to eliminate the deficit in FY07-08 or in future years.
- The Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities will need to hold an additional meeting to revise the assisted-care living facility regulations.
- This additional meeting will increase the Board's operating deficit and will require an increased general fund appropriation.
- There will be a one-time increase in state expenditures for board member travel reimbursement of \$5,000.
- There will be an increase in state expenditures for a Court reporter to transcribe the meeting. Such is estimated to be \$300.
- A 175 page transcript at a cost of \$4 a page will result in a one-time increase in state expenditures of \$700 (175 x \$4).
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 68-11-216, the Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities is required to be self-supporting over a two-year period.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" and last name "White" clearly legible.

James W. White, Executive Director

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